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Lisbon, October 16. N. S.

THree days ago arrived here a *Tartane*, freighted by the Alcayde of *Tangier* to carry 14 *English* Captives, who are set athore here, and delivered to *Paul Methuen* Esq; Her Majesty of *Great-Britain*'s Envoy Extraordinary at this Court.

Rome, Sept. 30. *N. S.* Last week we received an Account, That the *French* had surprised a little Fort in the *Ferrarese*, and had burnt 4 Barks laden with Salt for the use of the City of *Ferrara*, which were going up the *Po*, suspecting that they were designed for the Imperial Army; upon which a Congregation of State was held, and the Pope has since ordered about 4000 Men to be sent into that Country for its greater Security. Letters from *Naples* of the 28th Instant say, That Sentence of Death had been published there against the Marquis *del Vasto*, Don *Malisa Carassa*, and the Duke of *Telisa*, who some time ago retired from thence into *Germany*, being in the Emperor's Interest; That two *French* Regiments of Foot were ordered from that Place to *Milan*, and two Companies of *Spaniards* to *Barcelona*; And that the Galleys of *Naples* were gone to cruize on the Coast of *Istria*.

Venice, October 13. Letters from the Imperial Army of the 8th Instant say, That both Armies were still in the same Posts. The King of *Spain* left the *French* Camp the 2d Instant in order to return to *Madrid*, having before his departure made the Duke *de Vendosme* a Grandee of *Spain*, and Knight of the Order of the *Golden Fleece*.

Ratisbonne, October 19. On the 12th Instant a Courier arrived here from *Vienna*, with the Emperor's Approbation of the Resolutions taken by the Diet on the 13th and 30th of the last Month against *France* and *Bavaria*, which Cardinal *Lamberg*, his First Commissioner, has accordingly ratified. He delivered to the Diet at the same time, Copies of the Emperor's Letter to the Elector of *Bavaria*, and of another to the Associated Circles, promising them his Assistance, in case that Elector did not desist from disturbing the Peace of the Empire; as also a Letter from the King of the *Romans*, thanking the Diet for their speedy and vigorous Resolutions in the Affair of *Ulm*, and offering to assist them, tho' with the hazard of his Person; and enclosing several Letters from the Court of *Bavaria* to *France* which had been intercepted, whereby the Elector's Engagements are plainly discovered, particularly by one, wherein the Marshal *de Catinat* is desired to send 30 Battalions and 40 Squadrons to his Assistance, as had been promised by *France*. The 15th, another Courier came from *Vienna*, with the Declaration of War in the Name of the Empire, and the Emperor's Avocatoria against *France* and *Spain*, all which Papers will forthwith be made publick. The Elector of *Bavaria* is still at *Memmingen* with part of his Forces, and the Count d'Arco is posted with the rest at *Biberach*. A Detachment of 2000 *Bavarian* Horse is sent out to make head against Colonel *Gumbrich*, who with a strong Party of *Hussars* is between the Rivers *Lech* and *Iller*, putting under Contribution the Villages belonging to that Elector. General *Pals* with 1200 *Hussars* more has taken Post at *Lawingen* and *Dillingen*, to secure those Passes on the *Danube* against the *Bavarians*.

Cologne, October 24. The Elector of *Cologne* is gone for *France* by the way of *Luxemburg*, where he intended to be the 20th Instant. Count *Tallard* with his Detachment is marched towards *Treves*, to join a Body of *French* Forces encamped near that Place, who have lately seized the Towns of *Sarbourg* and *Andernach*, and seem to have a Design upon *Trarbach*. The Elector Palatine returned to *Dusseldorp* the 17th Instant, and the Bishop of *Raab* is gone thither to confer with him. The *Dutch* Forces, which came lately into our Neighbourhood under the Command of Major-General *Hompesch*, marched the 15th Instant to *Wesel*, where they continued encamped, and a Detachment of 3000 Horse was sent out from thence this morning towards *Juliers*. We hear, the Imperialists and the *Prussians* have lately had an Engagement near *Elsenitz*, wherein the former obtained a compleat Victory over the Enemy, tho' with the Loss of many of their Men.

Hamburgh, October 24. Letters from *Gracow* give an Account, that the King of *Sweden* has had a fall from his Horse and broke his Leg, but that he was past all Danger, and in a fair way of Recovery. The Secretary of the Embassy appointed to offer the Mediation of the Republick of *Poland* to that Prince, in order to adjust Matters between him and their King, was returned towards *Warsaw*, but without any positive Answer. In the mean time there have happened several Skirmishes between the *Swedish* Troops and those of *Cracow*, which last have generally got the Advantage; and it is said, 30 Squadrons of *Polish* Horse are come to the Frontiers of *Lithuania*, with intent to oblige the *Swedish* Forces quartered in that Dutchy to retire from thence. The King of *Poland*, according to our last Accounts from *Warsaw*, was still there; 6000 of his *Saxon* Foot are marched into the *Polish Prussia*, having obtained Passage through the King of *Prussia*'s Territories. Letters from *Berlin* say, that King has received a Letter from the Emperor, concerning the Proceedings of the Elector of *Bavaria*; to which he has returned an Answer, promising, That he would readily enter into any Measures that should be thought proper for bringing over that Elector to the Common Cause, or putting him out of a condition to oppose it. A Treaty is lately concluded between the Emperor and his *Prussian* Majesty for his entring into the Grand Alliance, whereby he also engages to continue in the Emperor's Service the 8000 Men of his Troops that are at present employed therein. They write from *Copenhagen*, that the Emperor's Resident there has agreed with the Ministers at that Court for 1500 Foot, and 1000 Horse, to be taken in the Emperor's Pay.

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